Herrn Alfred Dieffenbacher Sonnenfelsgasse 7 1010 Wein 1 Osterreich, Austria

Dear Herr Dieffenbacher:

I am giving a talk at the Copenhagen meeting of the International Numismatic Congress, in August, and my subject matter is "Perfection in Forgery". I need some information from you.

I might introduce myself by saying that I have written on coin forgeries and counterfeiting of paper money on many occasions in the past and perhaps you are aware of those books and articles. Most of the items I wrote on are collector's items rather than counterfeits for circulation. I have exposed six forgeries of early American coins which came out of England in recent years and by writing them up promptly we believe we have storged their distribution.

I have owned and studied your book from its first publication, in 1963, and wonder if you would be nice enough to give

me a few additional facts:

1. Are any of the counterfeits listed in your book those

produced by Dr. Schmidt, in Germany, by spark erosion?

2. Are virtually all of the counterfeits listed in your book produced by cast dies, and, if so, what technical materials and methods were used in casting, so far as you know; ceramic

mold, frozen nercury, powdered metal, etc.
3. Most of the forgeries you illustrate have blotcaes, raised lines and pimples, and we wonder if the spark erosion technique, or new plastic, latex, and other molding materials

have eliminated this type of imperfection.

In the field of rare coins, the prospect of forgeries for the future is freightening. If x-ray defration, x-ray fluoresence and microscopic examination do not result in a definite determination, then numismatists are really in for tragedy.

Frankly, I am very disappointed at the long report of the International Association of Professional Numismatists on their forgery hearings. They don't even identify the floods of new forgeries of rare coins and merely bemoan the lack of adequate laws. Much of their discussion is on the lack of uniform definitions of words.

Since you have worked so diligently in this field, we would be grateful if you could give us your thoughts as to the foregoing.

I look forward, very much, to a prompt response from you.

Sincerely yours.

ERIC P. NEWMAN ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20220

June 26, 1967

Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Avenue St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Mr. Wewman:

With reference to your letter dated June 11, 1967, representatives of this Service and the Bureau of the Mint will be available to meet with you here in Washington at any time mutually convenient.

I am not certain that we possess any information which would be of interest to you or whether we will be in a position to disclose the information you may desire. This can only be decided when you outline your areas of interest during the meeting.

Please advise the date and time most convenient for your visit and I will attempt to make arrangements accordingly.

Very truly yours,

Thomas J. Kelley

Mr. Thomas J. Kelley Assistant Director Treasury Department United States Secret Service 1800 0 Street, N.W. (Room 239) Washington, D.C. 20226

Re: 732.0

Dear Nr. Kelley:

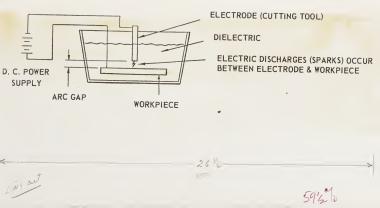
On June 26, 1967 you wrote me that you would attempt to arrange a meeting whenever I was in Vashington. I plan to be in Vashington on Tuesday, November 21. I will meet with the Director of the Mint, and hope I can meet with you, also. I would like to make the appointment with you some time during the morning, but can do so in the early afternoon if that is more convenient.

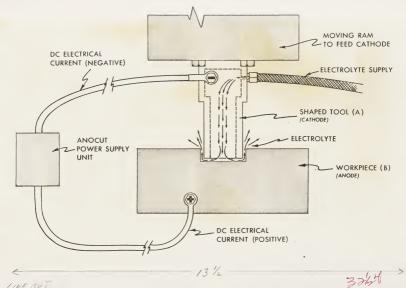
Please let me hear from you as to whether this is possible.

Yours very truly,

Eric P. Newman

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> Mr. Eric P.Newman Eric P.Newman Numismatic Education Society

P.O.Box 14020 St. Louis / Missouri 63179 U.S.A.

Vienna, July 20, 1967 Di/Hr

Dear Mr. Newman,

I thank you very much for your letter dated the 9th June, 1967. Due to the summer holidays I delayed considerably in answering, please excuse. I do hope that this letter reaches you in time before your departure to Kopenhagen.

Here is my opinion to your questions:

- 1)......Only the Item 1507-b GM 1977/A in the book Counterfeit Gold Coins origins from Dr.Schmidt. The coining tools have been manufactured by spark erosion.
- 2).................Very few items out of Counterfeit Gold Coins have possibly been produced by means of cast steel stamps, e.g. Nr.253-a l Lstg. 1923, but it is certain that this method is very unusual and I do not know which materieal, technique and equipment is used for this process.

Principal observations to 2)

The gold coin forgeries shown in Counterfeit Gold Coins have been identified by means of the mentioned characteristics in comparison with doubtlessly genuine coins. In most of the cases the manufacturers remained unknown, so that our knowledge of the process used is limited to presumption. The kind of characteristics allows certain conclusions, but an exact definition is impossible.

Besides of very few exceptions (e.g. No.245-a l £stg 1915, casting) all the coins shown seem to be manufactured by coining. Most probably the coining tools have been produced by means of casts of genuine coins, using soft steel (which is tempered afterwards) or heated red-hot sted. These prints usually show alterations in the dimensions, or they do not reproduce the image in all its details, so that corrections are necessary. These corrections usually are effected by engraving which causes more or less appearing divergations to the original.

Sometimes, the stamp is manufactured by steel engraving according to a model, but the impression of the image diverges considerably from the original (see No.136-d 20 GM 1906/A).

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There are many possibilities to copy a coin and new methods are continuously developed. Very similar copies from genuine coins can be manufactured with the help of plastic material or by means of electrolytical methods. These copies can be translated mechanically into metal with engraving machines - technique now offers a lot of possibilities.

3)......The cicatrices appearing frequently on forgeries are caused by tears in the stamping tool and have been copied to the coins as a cause of the high pressure effected to the coins when casting them. These cicatrices sometimes appear on genuine coins, too.

Straight raised lines on the coins shown , or in fine or in rough execution, use to origin from accidental damages of the stamping tool. (these lines are rather seldom on genuine coins, but not absolutely impossible).

The pimples are caused by damaged stamping tools, too, and the impressions appearing sometimes are due to material penetrated between the genuine coin to be copies and the steel used. Outbreaks sometimes happen at carbon steels.

Such imperfections can be avoided in most of the cases by using modern copying methods, that means that technically a perfection in forgery is absolutely possible.

I hope that my information is useful to you and wish you good success for your conference at Kopenhagen.

Very truly yours

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

July 25, 1967

Mr. Joseph M. Segel Juneral Lumismatics Corporation Penn Street and Industrial Drive Yeadon, Pennsylvalia 19050

Der Joe:

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Toor or. Vandenburgh:

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Your cooperation is not appreciated.

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Mr. Edward Rochette
A cricen Numismetic issociation
P.D.Box 2366
Colorado Springs, Colo. 80901

Dear Ed:

I am giving a talk at the International Numismatic Congress, in Copenhagen, to be held August 28,1967. My talk is entitled "Perfection In Forgery". I think it will be of great interest to American readers.

I do not know whether the International Jumismatic Congress has rules as to publication of papers given at the Congress but if thure are no difficulties I will submit it to you pro ptly after it is given. It is twenty-one legal-size typewritten pages, triple spaced. There are no pictures but it is full of fire.

I thought it best to have you know about it as I do not went the newspapers to "best you to the punch" and hope, therefore, that it can be published this winter.

Write me and let me know if you would like the text in advance and it will be sent to you.

Sincerely yours,

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

July 21, 1967

r. lfred lieflenbacher ten I, Sonnenfels-a se 7 Austria

Dear or. Dieffenbacher:

Thank you so much for your letter of July 20, 1967. You were very helpful.

I ar enclosing a copy of the talk I propose to give so that you may read it in advance. If you me saythin which needs changing you may write se at lotel An leterre, Copenharen, where I am due on August 20, 1007, when the International Musical Congress be las-

I hope we can meet some day and discuss the problems.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Edward Rochette Acerican Numismatic Association Mr. 0.3 ox 2366 Golorado Sprinzs, Colo. 80901

Dear Ed

I have just returned from the International Numismatic Congress, in Copenhagen, and gave a talk, as I proviously advised you.

I was given the privilege of selecting where the talk could be published and I feel THE NUMISHATIST is the troper place for it.

The title is "Coin Forgery Approaches Perfection". In a couple of days I will have a copy for you. I made a number of corrections from the original text before the telk was given.

May I hear from you pro ptly.

Sincerely yours,

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Acting Executive Director

P.O. Box 2366, COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO 80901

September 7, 1967

Eric Newman Numismatic Education Society 6450 Cecil Avenue St. Louis 5, Missouri

Dear Eric:

I trust that you had an enjoyable European trip. We all missed you at the convention in Miami.

I łook forward to receiving your article "Coin Forgery Approaches Perfection." This will be given prompt attention for publication in The Numismatist.

Under separate cover I have forwarded to you both your Heath Literary Award plaque and the accompanying silver medal. I trust that you will receive these in good order.

Sincerely.

EDWARD C. ROCHETTE

Acting Executive Director

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

September 11, 1967

Mr. dward Lochette A erican Tumismatic Association Dox 2366 Colorado Sorings, Colorado 80901

Deer Ed:

I am enclosing berewith illustrations which aumight want to use in connection with y article on forgery. There is a diagram of electrical discharge machining with the heading I have suggested. There is a diagram of electrochemical machining with the heading I have suggested. There is also enclosed a page from a book which I want to have returned to a but which can be used for illustrating a coin made by electrical discharge machining. The coin is on the right band side of the tare. You should definitely eliminate the words "forged" and "falsch" between the faces and nut a description as I have done on a photocopy which is enclosed.

I might suggest that you can see these illustrations any where you wish as the article may need perping up in this manner near the beginning.

Any suggestions you have for a subheading or a means of livening up the article, clease feel free to write me, and I will give you is ediate cooperation.

I look forward to he ring from you with respect to the article and please do not helate to ske any segmentions on care to.

Sincerely yours,

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

September 27, 1967

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Dear ien:

The talk I ave in Copenhagen, currently titled: "din orger, Approach a erfection" will be sublined in the Numismatist for Jovember, 1967.

I have the permission of Ed Sochette to let distants onthly have the crivilege of sublishing it in the love ber issue. It will not be published elsewhers, where term Coim ford, which will have to delay publication until about November 15. I therefore sumit copy to you for consideration.

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I will be glad to belo in any other way.

Eincer ly yours,

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

September 22, 1967

P.O.Box 150 Gidney, Dhio 45365

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I have just on from a locative in he can be uplish, in the low ber 1967 NU ISLATIST, ne talk I eve at the International Congress in Copen g n. This talk was ori inally titled "Perfection in For ery" and the title will be changed to ake it a little more checking. Id plans to issue a news release to your are an others, mentions the fact that the unis clinical rounds of odern for ry. He must so e lead time for the unblication in the unismatist and I surested that on or bout November 15, I would like to ive you the opportunity of publishing it if you are to. I know we will respect the understanding I we with mochette.

Is enclosing a pen and this will give you be of interest to your readers.

If there are any further questions about it, please do not hesitate to ask me.

Sincerely Jours,

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

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r. Edward Rochette American Amismatic Association Acx 2366 Gelorado Spr. oz., Colo. 60701

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I am delighted with the inclusion of the I. Handbar and Company sever issement which you located. It will improve reader interest tremendously. It is ever full page. "Haussen" is the name of Dr. Schuddt's eistr.

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Thank you, very much, for your wholehearted connert I ait respect to all sater and if I can be af any unther assistance also let me know.

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

September 23, 1967

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Sincerely yours,

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Mr. Kenneth Bressett

Eric P. Newman

Dear Ken:

My wife has suggested a terrific title for my forgery article in view of the "Do It Yourself" enthusiasm. The title could be:

"HOW TO FORGE COINS FOR FUN AND PROFIT"

This could be followed by my name, and then a subtitle, indicating that it was a program given in Copenhagen. I think this would develop readership.

Sincerely,

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de Kientigheit - accuracy, correctness, fairness unterstellen - (sep.) put or place under (insep) insimuate, impute, subordinate 19.2 ergeben - produce, deliver up, result in, amount to noth - still, yet, in addition, besides, further erheblich - considerable, weighty, important dir Schriftsatz - composition die Partei (en) - faction, party following, plaintiff or defendant wesentlich - essential, real, important, vital, intrinsic (im wesentlichen - essentially) gleichgeltend - equivalent to gleich - same, equal gelagert - beated beaten down fruh - early da Sachlage - state of affairs, circumstances das du Lage - situation, position, circumstances das Lericht - sight; enlight; eye der Punkt - point; place; article; topic; item; matter vortragen - aring forward; explain; report on; ricito; declaim der Inhalt - contente, volume der Vortrag - diction, delivery; lecture, address; report die Kennt Mes - knowledge, information; cognizance nehmen - to take, seize, capture die Beratung - advice; consultation, deliberation verkinden - announce, publish, proclaim verlesen - read out, call out das Sutachten - opinion, judgment, werdict, (xegal) advice der Entwurf – sketch, outline draft, design, plan, scheme der Berichterstattes – reporter; newspaper correspondent begründen - base, found, establish, substantiate bedeuten - mean, signify, be of importance; inform

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EDISON BROTHERS STORES INC.

EXECUTIVE OFFICES, 400 WASHINGTON AVE, ST. LOUIS 2, MO.

WALTER H. HEINECKE REAL ESTATE DIVISION

I have consideration has on fundamental meaning. I was neach as the published jurisdiction and the leterature are to be withdrawn, the requestion over the manufacture of medals and marks from the 27th of Kiccinter 1928 (RGB1. I 1929 S. 2) will be a niversally concluded from the validity of the 5th paragraph, let letter (b). This modification primite the forgery of cours, which on the basis of the regulation of federal law were withdrawn from circulation, to Establish and to wing in the circulation of money. This prolibetion to value has no value to the second paragraph 2 for the forgery of coins, which by ma of a hard mital convertion form a component of other matters objects. Then it, which the plaintiff asserts, is impossible to the rectual situation of the technique, its coin money and to connect them together with atter objects, so no doubt can induce therunder that withe 5th paragraph 2nd a.a. C. only the Technically possible coinage and connection of the coins Imans other matters. Who the view that that the administrative regulation was permitted only to oppose on factual areas, succeed and tractly whitebold dangerously mencing setuations does not justify the permission of the Revision. Because it requires no further clarification through the Sovernment administration of the Court of Justice, that the administration authority is permitted to accomplish the standard prohibition of a Metermined

kind of professional elecution through concrete individual preventive measures, also such of the administrative coercions.

The grivance is thus referred back. The cost of the sentence follows from the 154th paragraph, 2 VwGO.

The establishment of the value of the disputed matter rests on the 189th paragraph, I vu60 in connection with the 74th BVerwGG.

ree Siche - cause, action, case (g. 3 grundsatzlich - fundamental sowert I so fat us, inasmuch as eröffentlichen - to publish, announce. lie Lechsprichung - administration of justice, jurisdiction das Schrifttum - literature entrehmen - take away, welldraw; infer; conclude rllgemen - universal, general die Verardnung regulation, order, pricipt, appointment, establishment da Hentellung I production, manufacture ausgeher - go out, proceed, start, fail, come to an end du Betimming - determination; destination; socation; requestion; modification; stipulation quetzicke Bistimmung - regulation; ordinance verbieten - forbid, prohibit der Grund-Dundation, basis, groundwork; motive, argument das Printigedety-felical law die Rachahmung - imitation, forgery herstellen - sil up, establish las Verkehr - traffic; commerce, cuculation (of money) zetter, galt, gegolter, er gelt - mean, matter; be worth, beter have value be valid der absatz - paragrah, contrast nittels I bely means of; through, with the help of hilden - form, fashion, shape, mould -behaup ten - maintain, assert, affirm, uphold derzeitig - for the time being, actual, freunt der Stand - standing position, situation die Deckrik - technisal or applied science unninglich technique; skill impossible -pragen - to coin; stamp, emboss verbinden - to bind, white; connect der Tweifel - doubt; uncertainty, heretation; suspicion destthen condergo, endure, pass, get through die Fragung - stamping; character; coinage mienen - believe, think; mean; intend; propose

die Frestsetzung - establishment (1g. 3 west - valued, honoured der Street - dupute, quarul, lawsut Told der Liegenstand - subject, object, EDISON BROTHERS STORES INC. matter, executive offices. 400 Washington ave. ST Louis 2. MO die Ansicht - sight; view, prospect; openion die Behorde - administrative authority; the authorities; governing body tatsächlich - real, factual das Gebiet - district, area, region, field genau - tight; close, accurate; exact lectstellen – ectablish, ascertain, confirm Lie Liefähr – danger, rick gleich zeitry together, at the droken - to threaten, menace stime time der zustand - condition, state, situation ingend - recumbant, bekämpfen tocombat, fight, oppose, suict iechtfertigen - to justify, vindicate die Julassung - admission; permission; concession der Bedarf I meet, want, referement bedurfen te meed, siguen wester - farther, further, wider die Klarung - clarification die Verwaltungsbehörde - administration, govit office, board of mynt ormative - authoritative, standard bestemmen - to decide, determine, ascertain die art - kind, type, description, method, manner Ler Beruf - profession, calling, occupation, function die Cusulung - practice, exercise, execution konkret - Veonchete, real, tangible lie Maknahme - measure; precaution; preventive measure einzeln - sengle, individual , colch - such die Erwaltung - administration, goit, mynt. Juruckweisen - refer back der gwang - bforce, coerción Die Enterteidung - Decision, sentence durch setzeh - accomplish, succeed in dahie - thence, from that place, thus - kosten - cost, expense



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is must reducable our efforts to educabe--it appears a week -- and the questions inlicate many of them are newconers,

Margo Russell, Editor (Irs. Trion)

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This patent contains some in erosible in restion about explanates which are also used for "Explasive and I forming".

Hoping that this provides whome interesting posting and useful information to the future.

Yours truly Sob

Mrs. Margo ussell

Eric P. Newman

Dear Margo:

Thanks, very much, for your lively letter of September 26.

I have asked the Numismatist to change the name of my forgery paper to:

"HOT TO FORGE COINS FOR FUN AND PROFIT"

as I think that will cause readership and conform with the "do it yourself" popularity.

I am very pleased to note the circulation gains for C IN WORLD as this is most indicative of increased numismatic interest.

If you feel like sending me a couple of copies of reges 1 and 3 of your October 4, 1967 COIN VORLD, it would be helpful.

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. dward wochette merican Numismatic Association Box 2366 Colorado Springs, Colo. 80901

Dear d:

With respect to the article "How To Forge Coins For Fun and Profit", I have a great many people who will need printed copies of it because they helped me, etc. Would it be possible for you to have fifty off prints made at the time the issue is being printed, or do you want to send me fifty extra copies of the magazine. Any way you handle it will be setisfactory to me.

The more I think of my wife's title for the article the better I like it as humor is certainly needed in numismatics. There is so much disgust with forgery, burglary and tax maneuvering in our great hobby, that humor is important to highlight these menaces.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEW AN NUMISMATIC

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Mr. Eric Newman Edison Bros. Stores 400 Washington Street St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Fric:

I was very interested when I read the article about your talk in Copenhagen.

I am anxious to read your complete text as soon as it is printed. I am enclosing an article which might be of some interest to you along this line of thought.

Very sincerely,

Matt H. Rothert

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CONGRES INTERNATIONAL DE NUMISMATIQUE

COPENHAGUE 1967

Georges Le Rider:

LA DATATION DES MONNAIES CRETOISES FRAPPÉES DU v^e SIÈCLE AU DEBUT DU ${\tt III}^e \ {\tt SIÈCLE} \ {\tt AVANT} \ {\tt NOTRE} \ {\tt ERE}$

Introduction

- a) Brève description des monnaies dont il s'agit: monnaies d'argent de poids éginétique frappés par les principales villes de la ${\rm Crète}$ au ${\rm V^e}$, au ${\rm IV}^{\rm e}$ et au début du ${\rm III}^{\rm e}$ siècle.
- b) Aperçu des travaux antérieurs: le catalogue de J.N.Svoronos, qui donne un classement relatif des émissions; les recherches de E.S.G.Robinson sur les monnaies pseudo-éginétiques: le <u>cor-pus</u> des émissions de Gortyne et de Phaistos par E.J.P.Raven,etc.
- c) Le problème posé: établissement d'une chronologie <u>absolue</u> pour l'ensemble des émissions crétoises de cette époque. On est aidé dans cette recherche par l'étude des trésors et par celle des surfrappes.

Ière partie: les trésors

- a) Existence d'au moins trois trésors qui renferment de ces monnaies crétoises: lieux de découverte; lieux de conservation des monnaies.
- b) Composition de ces trois trésors. Ils ont une composition à peu près semblable: en plus des monnaies crétoises, des tétrobols d'Argos, des statéres de Corinthe et de ses colonies, des didrachmes de Cyrène.
- c) Date à laquelle ces trésors ont été constitués: les didrachmes de Cyréne donnent à ce sujet des indications assez précises et permettent de penser que l'ensemble des pièces a été retiré de la circulation entre 280 et 270 (il ne s'agit pas en effet de trésors formés par additions successives, mais de trésors constitués par des pièces qui ont été soustraits ensemble à la circulation).
- d) Un terminus ante quem est obtenu ainsi pour nos monnaies crétoises: leur frappe s'arrête vers 280-270.

2^{éme} partie: les surfrappes

a) Abondance des monnaies surfrappées en Créte, notamment à Gor-

- tyne et à Phaistos; considérations générales sur les surfrappës;
 dans certains cas les monnaies utilisées comme flans peuvent
 donner un terminus post quem intéressant.
 - b) Parmi les monnaies utilisées comme flans à Gortyne et à Phaistos, ce sont les tétradrachmes de Cyrénaïque qui donnent les indications chronologiques les plus précises. Des statères de Gortyne et de Phaistos ont en effet été surfrappés sur des tétradrachmes de Cyrénaïque émis entre ca. 330 et 322. On est même amené à penser que presque tous (sinon tous) les tétradrachmes de Cyrénaïque utilisés comme flans en Crète sont arrivés dans 1 île vers 322.
 - c) Le terminus post quem permet de placer entre 322 environ et 280-270 toute une série de monnaies gortyniennes et phaistiennes.
- $3^{\rm eme}$ partie: essai de datation de l'ensemble des monnaies crétoises de la période envisagée (V^e s. début du III^e s.)
 - a) A Gortyne et à Phaistos: un groupe d'émissions a été situé entre ca. 322 et 280-270. Un autre groupe peut être placé entre 360-350 et ca. 322. Les monnaies qui portent au droit Europe emportée par le toureau et au revers une tête de lion dans un carré creux ont été frappés entre 450-425 et 360 environ. Il ne semble pas que le monnayage de Phaistos et de Gortyne ait commencé avant 450; peut-être n'a-t'il pas commencé avant 431.
 - b) Cnossos et Lyttos commencent à frapper monnaie à la même époque que Gortyne et Phaistos, peut-être quelques années apres ces deux villes. Chronologie des émissions de Cnossos. Frappe de monnaies pseudo-éginétiques à Kydonia. Rôle des monnaies d'Egine en Crète.
 - c) Beaucoup de villes crétoises semblent n'avoir frappé monnaie qu'à partir de 330 environ. La masse des monnaies crétoises de l'époque qui nous intéresse se place entre ca. 330 et 280-270. Remarques sur les sources d'approvisionnement en ayent des Crétoises.

Conclusion: Observations sur la méthode suivie et sur l'intérêt des résultats obtenus.

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Mr. Eric P. Newman 6450 Cecil Avenue St. L o u i s Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman,

This is to inform you that the next International Numismatic Congress is planned to take place in Copenhagen in August or September 1967. It will be arranged by the International Numismatic Commission in cooperation with the Danish National Museum and the Scandinavian Numismatic Union.

It is our intention to issue a survey of numismatic research during the years 1960 to 1965. Consequently, on behalf of the Organizing Committee I take liberty to ask, if you would be willing to co-operate in this enterprise by writing the section on The History of Money and Coinage (United States). The survey will be published in English, French, and German and manuscripts should be delivered before September 1st, 1966.

To ensure uniformity we may refer you to the contributions of H. Küthmann ("Griechenland und Kleinasien") and N.L. Rasmusson ("Scandinavian Medieval Numismatics") in the bibliographical volume of the congress in Rome 1961, which should be taken as models. As regards abbreviations of numismatic journals the list in the Numismatic Chronicle should be consulted.

Unfortunately the Committee is unable to pay any salary, but the authors will receive 50 off-prints of their contributions. I hope to enlist your active assistance for this project and look forward to hear from you at your earliest convenience.

> Nils Ludvig Rashusson Keeper of Coins and Medals

Editor of the section on modern Numismatics

MEMORANDUM

To Mr. Ed Rochette

FROM Eric P. Newman

Dear Ed:

You were very kind to send me the slides for the talk I am giving and I want you to know how much I appreciate it.

As to the article on counterfeiting, I believe your illustrations and art work added a great deal to it and I thank you for the lift.

I am looking forward to receiving the 25 extra copies of the November NUMISMATIST so I can distribute them as a "thank you" and also, in due course, I presume you will return the items I sent you for illustrations, etc.

Please feel free to come to see me any time you pass through St. Louis.

Sincerely,

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

November 8, 1967

Director of the int ressury Department Las ington, D. C.

floor Miss Ada s:

I a send of you, under separat cover, I a NUMISWATIST for the ber, 1967, containing the full revised text on the program on forgry which I gave to the international Numismatic Jonress, in Copenharen, late this sur er. I will make copies available to other departments the government if lust would be helpful.

The article will also be published in and World under the sittle "How To Forge Coins for Fan and Profit".

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Sincerely yours,

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binrerely yours,

Dre. J.r. quénir

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

November 10. 1967

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In any event, place be nice enough to said as a copy of any publication which is side of this size.

It was a pleasure to let you and I hope our paths cross often in the future.

Sincerel your.

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Stichworte:

Ordnungsrecht Herstellung von außer Kurs gesetzten Münzen

Rechtsquelle:

Medaillenverordnung vom 27. Dezember 1928 § 5 Abs. 1 Buchst. b

Beschluß des I. Senats vom 10. April 1967 - BVerwG I R 35.67

I. Verwaltungsgericht Köln II. Oberverwaltungsgericht Münster

Abschrift

BVerwG I B 35.67 OVG IV A 1470/66

Beschluß

In der Verwaltungsstreitsache

hat der I. Senat des Bundesverwaltungsgerichts am 10. April 1967 durch den Präsidenten des Bundesverwaltungsgerichts Prof. Dr. Werner und die Bundesrichter Lullies und Dr. Heinrich

> Die Beschwerde des klägers gegen die Nichtzulassung der Revision in dem Urteil des Oberverwaltungsgerichts für das Land Nordrhein-Westfalen vom 25. Januar 1967 wird zurückgewiesen.

Der Kläger trägt die Kosten des Beschwerdeverfahrens.

Der Wert des Streitgegenstandes wird für das Beschwerdeverfahren auf 30.000 DM festgesetzt.

Gründe:

Der Kläger wendet sich dagegen, daß ihm unter Androhung von Zwangsgeld und Ersatzzwangshaft die Herstellung und der Vertrieb von außer Kurs gesetzten Reichsgoldmünzen untersagt wurde, sofern sie nicht durch eine feste metallische Verbindung Bestandteil anderer Gegenstände sind. Seine Rechtsverfolgung hatte in den Vorinstanzen keinen Erfolg. Das Berufungsgericht ließ die Revision nicht zu. Hiergegen richtet sich die Beschwerde des Klägers.

Die Beschwerde ist nicht begründet.

1. Das Berufungsurteil beruht nicht auf dem geltend gemachten Verfahrensmangel. Der Kläger sieht eine Verletzung der §§ 101, 128 VwGO und seines Rechts auf Gehör darin, daß nach seiner Wahrnehmung das Berufungsurteil schon vor der mündlichen Verhandlung angefertigt gewesen sei. Dieses Vorbringen - seine Richtigkeit unterstellt - ergibt noch keinen rechtserheblichen Verfahrensmangel. Dem Berufungsgericht war durch die Schriftsätze der Parteien und die im wesentlichen gleichgelagerten früheren Verfahren des Klägers die Sach- und Rechtslage vor der mündlichen Verhandlung bekannt. Daß der Kläger in der mündlichen Verhandlung einen neuen Gesichtspunkt vorgetragen oder das Gericht den Inhalt seines mündlichen Vortrags nicht zur Kenntnis genommen hat, trägt er selbst nicht vor. Wenn das nach der Beratung verkündete Urteil durch Verlesen des Gutachtens oder des Urteilsentwurfs des Berichterstatters begründet wurde, so bedeutet dies keinen Verfahrensmangel, auf dem das Urteil beruhen könnte.

2. Die Rechtssache hat keine grundsätzliche Bedeutung. Soweit der veröffentlichten Rechtsprechung und dem Schrifttum zu entnehmen ist, wird allgemein von der Gültigkeit des § 5 Abs. 1 Buchst. b der Verordnung über die Herstellung von Medaillen und Marken vom 27. Dezember 1928 (RGB1. I 1929 S. 2) ausgegangen. Diese Bestimmung verbietet Nachahmungen von Münzen, die auf Grund reichsgesetzlicher Bestimmungen außer Kurs gesetzt sind. herzustellen und in den Verkehr zu bringen. Dieses Verbot gilt nach Absatz 2 nicht für Nachahmungen von Münzen, die mittels einer festen metallischen Verbindung einen Bestandteil anderer Gegenstände bilden. Wenn es, wie der Kläger behauptet, nach dem derzeitigen Stand der Technik unmöglich ist, Münzen zu prägen und sie gleichzeitig mit anderen Gegenständen zu verbinden, so kann kein Zweifel darüber bestehen, daß § 5 Abs. 2 a.a.O. nur die technisch mögliche Prägung und Verbindung der Münzen mit anderen Gegenständen meint. Auch die Ansicht, die Ordnungsbehörden dürften nur "auf tatsächlichem Gebiet liegende und genau festzustellende gefahrdrohende Zustände" bekämpfen, rechtfertigt nicht die Zulassung der Revision. Denn es bedarf keiner weiteren Klärung durch das Bundesverwaltungsgericht, daß die Verwaltungsbehörden das normative Verbot einer bestimmten Art von Berufsausübung durch konkrete Einzelmaßnahmen, auch solche des Verwaltungszwanges, durchsetzen dürfen.

Die Beschwerde war daher zurückzuweisen.

Die Kostenentscheidung folgt aus § 154 Abs. 2 VwGO.

Die Festsetzung des Wertes des Streitgegenstandes beruht auf § 189 Abs. 1 VwGO in Verbindung mit § 74 BVerwGG.

Prof. Dr. Werner

Lullies

Dr. Heinrich

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Dear Mr. Newman,

Herewith I send you the decision of the Bundesverwaltungsgericht of April 1oth. As a matter of fact Dr. Schmidt has not yet stopped the restriking of coins of the Maiserreich. A few weeks ago modern restrikes of the Meißen 5 Mark 1929 (Jaeger 339) appeared on the coin market. They show the style of the Schmidt fakes ! Other extremely dangerous fakes of Celtic coins, certainly made by another counterfeiter, have been observed as well.

During our small numismatic congress in Karlsruhe in September we have decided to reserve one page of the Numismatisches Nachrichtenblatt for the reproduction and description of new fakes. Since we are preparing this page owing to your paper at the Copenhagen Congress, we would be most gratefull, if you would kindly assist us in our endeavour. The adress of the Numismatisches Nachrichtenblatt. which has a number of 3600 copies now and is tixt issued each month, runs:

> Numismatisches Nachrichtenblatt Philosophenweg 1o

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With kindest regards, Yours sincerely.

Peter Berghan

FRIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

November 10, 1967

Ar. Peter Berghan Landesauseum 11 Munster/estfelen Dompletz 18 West Jermany

Doar Mr. Berghau:

Than you, very much for your letter of Section 25, 1767 with respect to the decision in the force y attr involving Dr. Schmidt. After having it translated I must con'est that it is entirely too technical for me to understand.

I seated asswring you so that I could enclose the grint or in I I would of the telk I gave in Copenment. It was also published in III IV ISI III for
ment., 1967, which is the carried publication of
the A ricen jumismance Association. You may wish to
ment of the excerpts from my telk, to which there would
no objection.

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It was certainly a pleasure to eet you and I as very rateful for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

FRIC F. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC

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Dear I.r. Newman:

Un the Congres. International de Numismatique at Copenhague in 1967 you have read a maper about "Perfection in Forgery". Your explanations have induced Mr. Frof. Dr. F. Berghaus at Künster, the manager of the "Verband der deutschen Künzvereine", to publish news about this matter in my "Numismatisches Nachrichtenblatt"; I think that cooperation in this matter will be useful, and therefore I send you as Printed Matter the numbers 10/1967 and 1 + 2/1968 which contain informations about forgeries and will send you too the following numbers of my magazine. Would you be so kind to inform us about forgeries

Your sincerely hope the

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15 Jane 1968

r. sric F. Werman, 120 #4 5450 Secil Avenue St. Lowis, Missouri 19105

Dear Lic:

On behalf of the officers and subsets of the disseri Aurisstic Society, it gives me great pleasure to forward to you an American unismatic association nucetional award Sertificate for your cresent tion "no To Forge Coins for Pleasure and Profit" at our Society's 8 april 1500 meeting.

Tour generous participation from time to time in our various meetings is always tell received. It was no less appreciated by the attending of members and 14 quests who found your talk and tunner of delivery informative, stimulating, and revealing.

four status as Charter ember 4 of the dissouri Audismatic Society added considerable import to an already significant occasion in that, as you know, the meeting of 8 April 1.52 celebrated the 50th anniversary of the founding of our Society in which you, as one of the few founders, played such an important part.

by new, you, no doubt, have read the report of the leeting contained on tege 52 of the 13 June 1956 issue of Join ordid. We are nopeful that reports will appear also in Tunismatic Lews, humismatic Lorapbook, the A.K.A. Club news, and the Jentral States Lunismatic Cociety "Centinel" to whom releases were sent as Well.

rlease accept our profound thanks, aric, for your continued interest and effective support of our society. We strive constantly to maintain the objectives of unismatic aducation which our fourners so wisely established, and your participation enhances considerably our efforts in this direction.

Congratulations on the latest of your many literary awards -"The 1500 Nathan Jold Award", founded by Lumismatic News. How
fortunate is the hobby of Numismatics to have as an enthusiastic
advocate one of the most dedicated and learned numismatic researchers one aducators of our time! And how fortunate is the dissouri
Numismatic Bociety of St. Louis to have you!!

.jost sincerely,

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(.rs.) Bernice Stevenson,

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Program given by Eric P. Newman at the International Numismatic Congress in Copenhagen on August 28, 1967.

COIN FORGERY APPROACHES PERFECTION

I am not a coin forger and regret that I cennot speak
to you from experience. Unfortunately, those who could share with
you their actual accomplishments in forgery are not accustomed to
speaking before learned organizations or writing up their findings.
It might be helpful if they would.

In spite of the world-wide emphasis on numismatic education there is no attempt on my part to be of assistance to forgers.

They seem well able to obtain not only adequate knowledge to pursue their activities but to dream up romantic tales of discovery to give counterfeit provenance to their fake products. Throughout history .

there has been hesitancy by some law enforcement bodies and by some numismatists to make public disclosure of the techniques of coin forgery and of the detailed descriptions of forgeries because of a fear of helping forgers to improve their products and correct their errors. There have always been wishful thinkers who believed that forgers always make enough mistakes in their work to permit detection.

In the past most products of forgery generally have left tell-tale evidence but a substantial number have escaped recognition. False coins have sometimes been detected through the ignorance of the

forger but more often through his inability to obtain the use of proper equipment. Times have changed. Just as the advances in the peaceful use of atomic energy and space exploration have also resulted in more devastating means of warfare,/the advances in metallurgy and engineering have presented *** forgers with many superbways of producing false coins.

The menace of forgery to numismatics has now become a major problem. In recent years counterfeiting money for the purpose of circulation has been virtually confined to paper money. Striking false

TSTEXING coins for circulation has become discouraging to forgers

from an economic point of view. In the case of common gold coins which are no longer in circulation as money and are traded as a commodity in world markets coin forgery in recent years has had a great harvest.

Forgeries which are merely casts

result of undisturbed transformation from liquid to solid form by cooling or whether the crystal structure is distorted by being forced in the striking to conform to the configuration of dies.

Admittedly this type of testing is somewhat limited in general availability but it is positive.

Coins reproduced by the reuse of obsolete dies or punches or transfer dies made from them, such as the United States 1804 silver dollar and old coins now being reproduced in some European mints involve the participation of mint officials and are not within the scope of this presentation.

Forgeries prepared with hand cut false dies are also excluded as the many differences between them and genuine coins are readily observed.

Fantasies prepared from hand cut dies and with imaginative designs are not a serious problem, but in some instances even their status remains unchallenged in numismatic literature.

For the reasons above outlined this study is confined

(1) to the deliberate production of false coins for numismatic

purposes; (2) to false coins struck from false dies; and (3) to false

dies made directly or indirectly from genuine coins. This activity

may be open or clandestine, legal or illegal, with or without a

profit motive, within an official mint or privately undertaken.

ADVANTAGES OF FALSE DIES

The principal advantages in the use of false dies are that the planchets to be struck can be cut to perfect size, adjusted as to proper weight, polished, annealed, edges upset, milled, etc. The planchets can also be made out of genuine coins of a similar type to the false pieces to be prepared because of the availability of quantities of common, worn or damaged coins from all periods. The proper metal mix and the variation in natural impurities are therefore not a problem for the forger if he reworks genuine coins into planchets.

With false dies, desired quantities of forgeries can be readily made once the preparatory die work is complete. There is no time consuming repetition of the major part of the reproduction process as in the case of sand casting or the lost wax method of casting.

False dies have great flexibility as to their use. False coins can be struck in any desired metal. If the original genuine coin is in copper the forgery can be made in silver, in gold, etc.

This makes it unnecessary in some cases to obtain a rare piece for the purpose. This was the plan used in 1962 in England in the production of forgeries of patterns of seventeenth century Irish farthings known as St. Patrick pieces.

With false dies the obverse of one coin can be paired with the reverse of another, either to produce a forgery of a rare

combination or to produce an unknown combination. It also enables a die with any mint mark to be paired with a die bearing any existing date if the mint mark and date appear on opposite faces.

Here again it is often unnecessary to obtain a rare piece to copy.

With false dies there can be created artificial errors, simulated trial strikes, overstrikes of genuine coins, double strikes, uniface pieces, brokages, pieces of varying thickness, undersized or oversized planchets, square or octagonal planchets, faces in improper juxtaposition, etc.

With felse dies counterfeit countermarks can be added to genuine coins such as has been done with many coins which circulated in the West Indies, the Phillipine Islands, etc.

MAKING FALSE DIES

By Direct Transfer

Each of the three mints of the United States during World

War II made 1943 cents out of steel covered with a very thin zinc dip.

This gave the forgers an unusual opportunity. A die in unhardened

steel or other metal could be made by pressure transfer from the coin itself in the same way as normal dies are made in a hubbing press. Using this process some false 1943 cents in copper appeared.

By Pantograph

A pantograph with the scanner and the drill on a one to one ratio is capable of making false dies from coins. This procedure follows the principles of the standard Janvier reducing machine used in mints to cut dies from large galvanos of the artist's sculpture. It leaves spiral marks on the die, which marks must be skillfully polished away. A skilled engraver, however, can guide the drill by hand to avoid the spiral marks. It would not be surprising if an electronic scanner could be made for the purpose.

By Impact

Dies for forgeries can be produced by impact in several ways. The coin to be copied can be firmly mounted on the free end of a pivoted bar. Unhardened steel or other die metal is then firmly fixed in a position which the coin on the free end of the bar will strike. The die metal is usually heated to cherry redness first.

The free end of the bar is heavily weighted and can be dropped or tripped at a speed sufficient to produce enough kinetic energy to

drive the coin deep enough into the die material to leave a clear intaglio.

Another way of accomplishing the same result is to place the coin and the die material face to face in a metal jacket and to set an explosive charge against the outside face of the coin.

The explosive force will then drive the coin into the die material.

Only mediocre dies can be made by these methods because certain portions of the die usually turn out to be weaker than others and need some hand engraving. Genuine coins used are destroyed and therefore either common coins or electrotypes must be used to make false dies from impact.

With Powdered Metal

Dies for forgeries can be produced out of powdered metal.

Cylindrical
The coin to be copied is placed in a steel/cup and covered with
highly pulverized metal. A plunger fits the open end of the cup.

The unit is placed in a hydraulic press where sufficient pressure is
applied to compact the powdered metal into the form of a die. After
the compacted powdered metal die is withdrawn it is heated so that
the metal fuses in a sintering process. There is about 5% shrinkage in
the course of sintering, making the size noticeably inaccurate. In
addition the pressure of compaction to produce a thick enough die for
practical purposes results in crushing the detail of a coin, as it
would be customarily composed of copper, silver, or gold. Thus,
powdered metal is most impractical for high quality forgery.

By Electrical Electric Discharge Machining

Spark erosion or electrical discharge machining is a technique by which a shaped piece of metal can be made to produce actual its own intaglio directly in another piece of metal without/contact. The pattern or piece to be copied becomes one electrode and the material for the intaglio becomes the other electrode. These are positioned face to face almost touching one another so that electric energy can jump the distance between them. The spark naturally jumps along the path of least resistance between the closest metallic parts and disintegrates some of the metal on the intaglio electrode directly opposite the raised portions of the pattern electrode. As areas of material of the intaglio electrode are eaten away the spark gap selects the next closest parts to jump until all parts of the pattern electrode are equidistant from all parts of the intaglio electrode. The space between the electrodes is filled with a flowing fluid dielectric or nonconductor which xxx not only serves as a coolant but also as a means of washing away the disintegrated metal. The lower the amperage and the higher the frequence of electric impulses the more perfect the detail will be on the intaglio. The outlines of raised portions of the pattern electrode widen slightly in the corresponding part of the intaglio

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machines claim this spread or overcut can be held to as little

as .0002 inches. Many times as much widening of design elements is

not perceptible under routine magnification, particularly because of
the normal variation in the striking pressure of older genuine

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coins, the normal variation in/striking pressure of false coins, the

wear on the genuine coins from circulation, etc.

The surface of the intaglio electrode is also uniformly and minutely pitted from the sparking. These little individual craters are not visible until high magnification is applied. If the process is carried out well the general appearance is that of a coft satin matte finish.

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The most discouraging problem ** the forger has to face is that the pattern electrode also disintegrates from the spark

discharge, the amount depending on the metals out of which the usual ratio and other factors. respective electrodes are made, / The ratts/of disintegration of the pattern ranges from 1/4th to equal that of the intaglio. This disrupts the accuracy of the intaglio image because the pattern electrode image erodes away during the sparking. The means of reviving accuracy in the process is to substitute a new pattern electrode as the process proceeds so that the intaglio is almost complete when the last pattern electrode is connected up. The profalse cess can produce for dies of fine quality if up to four identical high quality common coins or a similar number of/electrotypes are available for destruction as pattern electrodes. If however the image on the intaglio electrode is substantially formed by impact first, the finishing can be readily accomplished by spark erosion using only one pattern electrode.

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Those **Torgata coins which I have examined and which were struck with spark erosion dies came to light in England. The **Torgata' dies had been somewhat hand engraved in a few areas on some to which was sharpen the detail /lost in the erosion process. Two were missing a stop in the legend, apparently because the stop disintegrated from electrical the pattern electrode during the **Torgata machining.** Due to poor workmanship the spread of the design and lettering in some parts and its thinness in others was particularly noticeable when compared

to a genuine piece. Generally, however, the forgeries were XNNEX when deceptive because they were pre-nineteenth century coins with very simple detail.

Dr. Schmidt of Bonn, Germany, first as an individual and subsequently for I. Hausmann & Co., A.G., has produced very deceptive Reichsmunzen from dies made with an **Checketical** ceptive Reichsmunzen from dies made with an **Checketical** discharge** machine. His early dies were recovered from the Rhine River, where in spite of his conviction he electrical he threw them, but/apparently N** still has his ***Checketic** discharge** machining equipment and uses it for making what he wishes to be designated as "copies" rather than forgeries.

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To add a bit of humor to this tragic menace, an advertising brochure of the leading manufacturer of spark erosion equipment in the United States, the title of which reads: "To Help Electrical You Make Money With **INGENTIAL Discharge Machining."

By Electrochemical Machining

Electrochemical machining is the reverse of the electroplating process. Instead of metal being deposited on an electrode
it is removed from it. The pattern electrode is placed very close
to the work piece in an electrolyte or conductive liquid. Direct
current passes from a positively charged workpiece anode through
the electrolyte to the pattern cathode. The surface of the workpiece

is slowly eaten away and the dissolved metal is washed away by the electrolyte which is circulated for this purpose and put under pressure to reduce bubbles. The pattern electrode does not disintegrate and therefore needs no replacement. The workpiece is not pitted by the process because there is no spark as there is in electrical discharge machining. The difficulty ** making false dies by this process is that the current is not confined to the shortest distance between points as in electrical discharge machining but spreads as it passes through the electrolyte. This would make the false die fuzzy and spread the image. However as the electrodes are placed closer and the current is controlled the results improve. A genuine coin used as a pattern would be somewhat damaged by the electrolyte but an electrotype can be substituted. The electrochemical machining process for producing false dies which do not contain sharp corners in their lettering or design is a serious threat.

Cast Dies

There are many methods to produce cast dies and there is nothing new about it.

The method commonly used by dentists for making gold caps, bridges and fillings is well known. First a soft agar-agar or rubberized mold is pressed on the teeth; this mold is cooled, hardened and set in soft plaster; when the plaster hardens the shape

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is again transferred from the plaster to hot wax; the hardened wax is set into a refractory investment and ports are inserted; the investment is baked to hardness, volitalizing the wax; then the investment is placed in a centrifugal casting machine, sometimes in a vacuum, where molten gold or other metal runs into the cavity and hardens on cooling. This system involves five transfers of the image and some sharpness of the detail is lost.

The method commonly used for/sculpture/casting is a similar four stage process. First a silicone rubber negative is formed around the model, then a wax positive is made from the silicone, then the wax is surrounded with a refractory clay slurry which is baked into a hard ceramic mold, and finally the metal is cast in the ceramic mold.

For some other applications an improvement can be made in the four stage process by substituting mercury for wax in the second stage. In this technique, mercury is poured into the xilicoxexxxxbber negative and the temperature lowered until the mercury freezes into solid form. Then the ceramic slurry is formed around the frozen mercury with no parting agent needed. After the slurry gells and the temperature is permitted to rise, the liquid mercury readily runs off leaving the ceramic ready for baking. A metal positive can then be made in the ceramic mold.

False dies

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developed in a three stage/process; first a wax or plaster intaglio
of the coin is made, then a transfer is made to a plaster or ceramic
positive mold from which the die is cast (no pun intended).Coin
die forgery has only required three stages because the FERTIGE false
coin itself is struck as the fourth stage and is not soft molded.
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Most cast fungen dies have imperfections arising in the course of
the first two soft transfers. These imperfections often show up
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on the fungen coins as raised lumps, striations, blotches, and

pimples. They arise from flaking off of particles of plaster,
wax or ceramic, usually in the parting of one of the forms from the
material to which its shape has been transferred. The principle
difficulty, however, is the weakness of the relief. The letters and
the design are not as sharp as in the genuine pieces and the more
delicate the design the more some parts seem to be almost lost in

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the forgeries. Alfred Eletterenter supports support published studies of
modern counterfeits include many examples of these difficulties.

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When the metal used to cast a die changes from molten to solid form there is a shrinkage. Some forgeries if carefully as much as examined under an optical comparator are / 2% smaller than genuine coins in design measurement. A careful forger must compensate for this shrinkage in order to prevent his forged products from being defective in this regard. The planchet size is easily exact size of the conforming made to conform to the/genuine piece but/the design size requires advanced planning. The dentist in his five stage process obtains various amounts of expansion in the plaster or second stage, in the investment or fourth stage, and in the casting or the fifth stage. This he regulates in order to compensate for the shrinkage of the final cast at the end of the fifth stage. Selected materials in the plaster and in the investment can each contribute to the expansion of those molds, sometimes aided by water absorption for

a specific period and by baking the ceramic investment at specific temperatures for specific periods. In addition to these adjustments itself the ceramic mold/can be heated at the time of die casting to a desired temperature at which the firtherization of the metal on cooling.

In the latter procedure the ceramic mold and the cast metal cool together and shrink together. With variants in metal to be poured and in the developmental materials used in reaching the final mold, false the forget coin can be produced with detail virtually the same size as the genuine coin.

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false positive of the forged die and the use of a transfer press to impress the design on a working die. Until recent years this metal to metal transfer seems not to have been appealing to forgers because more than kikakam equipment was necessary. Kikakagamaakakhamaxkaakmama A die or hub with raised relief wax an advantage/not a disadvantage in faking coins because it eliminates one soft molding process. unhardened The transfer from hard steel to xeft steel by pressure is much more fluid or pliable accurate than a transfer from hard to xxft material. No parting agent is necessary and thus the detail is not weakened. This short cut to die forgery has been made possible by the development of better means to pulverize refractory clays into powder; by mixing these clays for controlled expansion purposes; by developing the clays to withstand without warping or flaking the temperatures of melted iron, chromium, etc.; by using excellent binding materials for the clay; by controlling the heat levels at which the refractories are baked; and by improvement in parting materials to prevent the pattern from sticking to the soft clay.

The one stage die casting process can produce virtually positive perfect/dies and therefore virtually perfect forgeries can result.

Once the forged dies are produced there still remains
the problem of imitating any design on the edge. The forger would
have no problem with coins struck without a collar. A plain undecorated collar would likewise be simple to prepare and to use.
A collar which would produce a reeded edge can be prepared in an
automatic gear cutting, milling or hobbing machine, the reeds
being any shape desired and in any proper number. It can also be
prepared by electric discharge machining. Yet in the past some
forgers failed to count the edge reeds and made their collars with
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the wrong number of reeds. Alfred Timismbarkarkaris studies cite
many examples of that error.

Surface Treatment

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The surface of a fargad die or a fargad coin can be mechanically treated to change some of its characteristics without perceptibly ** affecting its weight or design. This process is known as jet honing, vapor honing, or wet honing. It consists of an air

jet blowing a liquid containing tiny grit. This application gently reshapes the surface so bombarded. The grit may consist of various materials but spherical particles of glass seem to be the most effective. The glass beads suspended in liquid are air ejected onto a surface through nozzles which may have needle orifices. The aimed by hand nozzles may be kanakaxananakakan or mechanically directed by automatically moving either the nozzle or the work. By the use of small smooth satin orifices and microscopic glass beads a #%#### surface can be prostrong duced. Larger beads can be used to produce a/matte surface. The important feature of this honing is that if it is used skillfully not only but also it will/remove oxidation and discoloration/KNN make a surface change shape without any perceptible removal of metal from the surface to which the jet is applied. If unskillfully applied it leaves a rippled surface resembling the ripples in the sand on the beach caused by the ebb and flow of tides. Jet honing can be applied to portions of a die or coin by the application of a protective coat of liquid plastic to the balance. This process has been used to put a so-called proof surface on the field of coins, to eliminate bruises and scratches and improve their general appearance. It can smooth out the tiny craters remaining on a die prepared with spark erosion. It can smooth out scratches on a die. One of the best practitioners of the art of jet honing of coins is in jail for stealing the items which he needed for his work.

Detection

As has been shown, forgers can conquer the difficulties which can be exposed with these modern tests by use of planchets made from genuine coins. The state of the art has reached a point where perfection in forgery is here. Admittedly, the forger must have expensive sophisticated equipment and technical skills which, if otherwise applied,

better much would permit him to earn a/living with/less risk.

The International Association of Professional Numismatists

published in May, 1967, a 117 page report of its June, 1965 meeting in Paris on coin forgery. It points out the complete inadequacy, in virtually all countries, of laws to combat forgeries made for collectors. Discussion as to exact definition of words relating to forgery was also reported. This report is styled an "analytical forgeries report" but other than Dr.Schmidt's INTERNATIONALES (none of which are specifically described) there is not one INTERNATIONALES coin mentioned even though many of the membership were then aware of many unpublished die struck forgeries of the past few years.

How are the collectors to know, how are the sale of forgeries to be exposed if a professional group after undertaking a forgery project publishes proceedings two years later but does not publish the numismatic forgeries of which they were aware. Do they fear the general collapse in value of genuine rare coins if the quantity and quality of forgeries is announced? How do they expect collectors and inexperienced dealers to stop buying and selling forgeries if the forgeries are not published? Do they believe that others have the obligation to expose die struck forgeries? Every competent numismatist, professional or amateur, has the responsibility to reveal publicly any unpublished die struck forgery data as soon as possible. The longer the delay in disclosure the more difficulty will finally result.

The apathy of the public toward coin forgery is by far more excusable than the apathy of experienced individual numismatists or numismatic organizations. Obtaining the passage of effective laws throughout the world is a dream, but every jurisdiction which can tighten its forgery laws should be strongly urged to do so. not Passage of laws or the enforcement of laws does/relieve numismatists from using every means at their disposal to solve the problem of forgery. Numismatists can and must make a great effort to solve the problem themselves if they wish to maintain the dignity and integrity of numismatics. They should expel from membership or deny participation in numismatic events to any person who knowingly sells a forgery or knowingly buys a forgery, as commercialism encourages forgeries. They should require a seller to give a written or announced guaranty of genuineness and not permit a position of non-involvement to be taken. When a forgery is found in the possession of a person who claims to be innocent of knowledge of its status he should be required to disclose in writing the source of his forgery and all facts he knows relating to it. So should his predecessors in ownership. There should be selected depositories for fakes so that they can be a reference collection for study and comparison. If forgeries are discovered they should not be returned routinely to the possessor so he can dispose of them again, otherwise some method for defacing forgeries should be adopted. Prompt publication of all die struck forgeries should be required.

The use of optical comparators should be obtained so that they may be available to numismatic researchers for forgery studies or other work. The use of X-ray diffraction and X-ray fluorescence equipment should be sought from government and private laboratories for part time numismatic use. There are many things which others may suggest which may be effective in combatting forgery.

If the forgery menace cannot be controlled let's collect forgeries and genuine coins indiscriminately. Let's subsidize coin forgery to improve its quality so all collectors can have all rarities. Let's give prizes for the best forgeries of the year and honor the craftsmen. Let's keep up with the art world in the distribution of fakes; let's plant forged Spanish gold and silver coins and bars in shipwrecks so that on each dive a numismatic skin diver will find one. Ladies and gentlemen we have a frightening problem as coin forgery is nearing perfection.

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